1	2	3
Dehradun Region		
50.	Bijonor	218
51.	Chamoli	124
52.	Dehradun	138
53.	Ghaziabad	172
54.	Meerut	242
55.	Muzaffarnagar	195
56.	Pauri	331
57.	Saharnpur	95
58.	Tehri	182
59.	Uttarkashi	108
60.	Haridwar	60
Lucknow Region		
61.	Lucknow	116
62.	Faizabad	520
63.	Raibareilly	200
64.	Sultanpur	398
65.	Sitapur	330
66.	Barabanki	276
	G.Total	13451
West Bengal		
1.	North 24-Pgs	419
2.	South 24-Pgs	716
3.	Calcutta	x
4.	Purulia	394
5.	Midnapore	1244
6.	Howrah	243
7.	Hooghly	371
8.	Bankura	395
9.	Nadia	341
10.	Burdwan	562
11.	Birbhum	395
12.	Murshidabad	472
13.	Malda	290
14.	North Dinajpur	324
15.	South Dinajpur	
16.	Cooch Behar	304
17.	Darjeeling	147
18.	Japaiguri	208
19.	North	17
20.	East	78
21.	West	23
22.	South	42
23.	Andaman	56
24.	Nicobar	14
	Total	7055

Computerisation of Telephone Bills

2505. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the computerisation of telephone bills has been introduced in the metropolitan cities;

(b) if so, the progress made in this direction so far;

(c) the target period fixed for the computerisation of telephone bills in all the metropolitan cities; and

(e) the steps taken to provide proper training to the staff for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) and (b). Yes Sir. Computerised billing is already in vogue in all Metropolitan Districts.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) above

(d) Staff is being trained both in house & through outside training agencies.

Euro Issues by VSN

2506. SHRI SARAT PATTANAYAK : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to allow Videsh Sanchar Nigam (VSN) to float Euro-issues for foreign currency loan;

(b) if so, whether any guidelines have been laid down in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) to (c). Sir, there is no proposal for permitting VSNL to float Euro-issue for foreign currency loan. However, a proposal for raising additional equity for VSNL in international market is under consideration of the Government.

Beedi Workers in Mysore

2507. SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR :
SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ :

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) total number of Beedi and Cigar workers during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether the houses have been constructed for these workers during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(c) if so, the details thereof, year-wise and State-wise; and

(d) the welfare measures proposed to be taken for the welfare of these workers?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) A statement showing the estimated number of beedi workers, at present, in the country, State-wise, is attached.